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SOME ACCOUNT OF

THE FAMILY OF

PRIME

OF ROWLEY, MASS.

WITH NOTES ON THE FAMILIES OF

PLATTS, JEWETT, AND HAMMOND.

(TEMPLE PRIME, HUNTINGTON, SUFFOLK CO., N. Y., U. S. A.)

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1897.

PRIME.

MARK I PRIME.

Born: in England.

Died: Rowley,* Mass.; buried there December 21st, 1683.

Married: Anne ——; died Rowley; buried there September 6th 1672.

Will†: no date; proved April 15th 1684. Probate office Essex Co. Mass., Liber 4, fol. 76.

Issue.

1. **Samuel I Prime,** of whom later.
2. **Mary Prime,** buried at Rowley January 6th 1654–55.

Account of Mark I Prime.

Though his family was not among the 60 families that settled at Rowley in 1639, it is on record that, previous to January 1644–45, he had assigned to him a house-lot of 1½ acre adjoining the southerly side of William Acey's land (on Holmes Street) east end on the street; it was opposite

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* See page 15. † See page 15.

Daniel J. Hale's house and is now owned by Thomas P. Hale; the present house was built by Joshua I Prime.

Mark I was probably a miller, as appears by an affidavit* taken by him June 23d 1656.

1654 Overseer.

1663 and 1664 Judge of delinquents for not attending town-meetings.

1674 a voter on the minister's stipend.

SAMUEL I PRIME.

Born: Rowley August 14th 1649.

Died: Rowley March 18th 1683–84; buried there.

Will: intestate; Sarah his widow and Abel Platts were appointed administrators April 15th 1684; they died and were replaced March 31st 1695–96 by Samuel Platts, the estate was finally wound up with that of Mark I Prime March 8th 1696–97.†

Married: January 1st 1673–74 Sarah daughter of Samuel Platts‡ and of Sarah —— his wife; born Rowley October 16th 1654; her second husband was Capt. Moses Bradstreet of Ipswich, Mass.; died before 1696.

Issue.

1. **Samuel II Prime,** of whom later.
2. **Sarah Prime,** born May 8th 1678; married June 25th 1733 James Stewart; died December 29th 1747.
3. **Mark II Prime,** baptized March 13th 1680–81; founder of the family still settled at Rowley.
4. **Anne Prime,** born June 27th 1683; joined the church September 12th 1714, at that time unmarried.

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* See page 19.

† Probate Office Essex Co. Mass.

‡ See page 31.

SAMUEL II PRIME.

Born: Rowley December 29th 1675.

Died: Rowley March 4th 1717–18; buried there.*

Will: intestate; Sarah his widow, later the wife of Robert Rogers having died, Moses Bradstreet was on the 10th of February 1722–23 appointed guardian of the surviving children: Samuel Prime aged over 14, Joshua Prime aged under 14, Sarah Prime aged under 14; final settlement of the estate February 12th 1722–23.†

Married: (published March 23d 1705–06) Sarah daughter of Joseph II Jewett‡ and of Ruth Wood his wife; born February 3d 1689–90; married again October 7th 1718 to Robert Rogers; died November 20th 1722.

Issue.

1. An infant died January 14th 1706–07.
2. **Samuel III Prime,** born December 2d 1707; drowned September 30th 1730.§
3. **Mark III Prime,** born July 30th, 1710; died April 1717.‖
4. **Joshua I Prime,** of whom later.
5. **Sarah Prime,** baptized February 5th 1715–16; married December 19th 1732 Josiah White of Wenham, Mass.
6. **Mark IV Prime,** posthumous; baptized March 23d 1717–18; died August 13th 1719.

Account of Samuel II Prime.

In 1708 he had permission given to him to erect for himself a pew in the meeting house at Rowley in the north

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* His tombstone bears the inscription: "Samuel Prime died 4 March 1717–8 in his 43rd year."

† Probate Office, Essex Co. Mass. Liber 13, fols. 287, 294.

‡ See page 34.

§ In church register: "Poor Sam1."

‖ In church register: "A hopefull child."

corner in the gallery, and also one for his wife in the easterly corner of the gallery; besides the minister's pew, these were the first built.

JOSHUA I PRIME.

Born: Rowley September 28th 1712.
Died: Sutton, Mass. July 26th 1770.
Will: proved in Worcester, Mass. July 26th 1770.
Married: 1st Rowley January 1st 1733–34 Mehitable daughter of Moses and Hannah Platts;* born Rowley November 11th 1712; died there October 17th 1751.

2dly (published June 18th 1752) Bridget daughter of Nathaniel II Hammond † and of Bridget —— his wife, of Ipswich (parish of Rowley); born ——; married again at Sutton, Mass. December 29th 1772, by the Rev. David Hull to Nathaniel Carriel, Jr. of that place; dismissed May 26th 1771 from the Rowley Church to that of Groton, Mass.; alive in Sutton 1792.

Issue.

1. **Samuel IV Prime,** baptized Rowley August 18th 1734; died March 29th 1736.
2. **Joshua II Prime,** baptized Rowley December 14th 1735; died September 6th 1743.
3. **Sarah Prime,** baptized Rowley July 31st 1737; died March 12th 1749.
4. **Samuel V. Prime,** baptized Rowley 1740.
5. **Moses Prime,** baptized Rowley September 19th 1742; died December 14th 1756.
6. **Joshua III Prime,** baptized Rowley October 14th 1744; died November 12th 1746.

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* See page 31. † See page 36.

7. **Joshua IV Prime,** baptized Rowley September 20th 1747; died November 2d 1748.

8. **Josiah Prime,** baptized Rowley July 22d 1753; settled at Swansey, N. H.; married Sutton February 20th 1780 Rothiel Carriel; married again Sutton January 18th 1787 Hannah ——.

9. **Mehitable Prime,** born August 29th 1755; baptized Rowley September 3d of same year; married Sutton February 16th 1773 Isaiah Hammond of Swansey, N. H.

10. **Bridget Prime,** baptized Rowley September 11th 1757; died August 29th 1759.

11. **Joshua Jewett Prime,** born November 14th 1760.*

12. **Bridget Prime,** baptized Rowley November 21st 1762; married Sutton February 24th 1785 Seth Carpenter of Sutton.

13. **Oliver Prime,** baptized Rowley November 18th 1764.

14. **Nathaniel I Prime,** of whom later.

15. **Abigail Prime,** born Sutton September 13th 1770; married Sutton January 14th 1790 Nathan Woodbury of Sutton.

Account of Joshua I Prime.

In 1753 he built a house at Rowley (at the present time owned by Thos. P. Hale) on the land assigned 1644 to Mark I Prime; he moved to Sutton, Mass. prior to 1700 and lived there on the land owned (1878) by Samuel Prescott and situated in District No. 11.

May 31st 1757 corporal in Capt. John Pearson's troop of horse at Rowley.

NATHANIEL I PRIME.

Born: Rowley January 30th 1768; baptized there the next day; he was born in the house his father erected (1753) on the land assigned (1644) to Mark I Prime.

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* No entry in records at Rowley.

Died: N. Y. November 26th 1840; buried in his vault in the churchyard of St. Mark's-in-the-Bowery, N. Y.; remains removed in 1845 to vault in the churchyard of St. Paul's Eastchester, N. Y.

Will: N. Y. April 24th 1840; proved December 23d 1840; Surrogate's office N. Y. Liber 81, fol. 691.

Married: N. Y. June 3d 1797 by the Rev. Dr. Lynn of —— to Cornelia daughter of Comfort Sands and of Sarah Dodge his wife; born N. Y. November 8th 1773; died at the residence of her son Edward I Prime, 17 West 16th Street, N. Y. at 8:30 P. M. April 21st 1852; interred at Eastchester with her husband; will N. Y. January 7th 1848, proved June 3d 1852; Surrogate's office N. Y. Liber 104, fol. 137.

Issue.

1. **Emily Frances Prime,** born N. Y. December 25th 1798; died June 8th 1804; buried in Comfort Sands' vault, N. Y.; remains removed 1845 to Comfort Sands' vault at Eastchester.

2. **Cornelia I Prime,** born 146 Washington Street, N. Y., January 4th 1800; married N. Y. November 25th 1819 to Robert, son of Cornelius Ray of N. Y.; died N. Y. May 21st 1874; interred in Greenwood Cemetery.

3. **Edward I Prime,** of whom later.

4. **Emily I Prime,** born 42 (now 54) Wall Street, N. Y., June 26th 1804; married N. Y. July 17th 1832 by the rector of Grace Parish* and by the Rev. Varella Basil to William Seton of N. Y.; died Pau, France, November 28th 1854; buried there.

5. **Rufus Prime,** of whom later.

6. **Frederick I Prime,** of whom later.

7. **Matilda Prime,** born No. 1 Broadway, N. Y. July 2d 1810; married N. Y. June 9th 1831 by the rector of Grace Parish to Gerard H. son of John G. Coster of N. Y.; died Paris, France, April 19th 1849; interred in Greenwood Cemetery.

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* See page 20.

8. **Laura Prime,** born No. 1 Broadway, N. Y. February 17th 1812; married N. Y. November 8th 1831 by the rector of Grace Parish to John Clarkson son of Peter A. Jay of N. Y.

9. **Harriet I Prime,** born No. 1 Broadway, N. Y. April 7th 1814; died N. Y. March 24th 1824; interred in her father's vault at St. Mark's-in-the-Bowery; remains removed 1845 to Eastchester.

EDWARD I PRIME AND HIS FAMILY.

Born: 42 (now 54) Wall Street, N. Y. December 10th 1801.

Died: Riverdale-on-Hudson, N. Y. Tuesday August 21st 1883; funeral at Christ Church Riverdale; interred in Greenwood Cemetery.

Will: N. Y., February 27th, 1879; proved September 24th, 1883; Surrogate's office N. Y. Liber 319, fol. 225.

Married: 1st Hyde Park, Dutchess co. N. Y. September 18th 1827 by the Rev. Mr. Johnson to Anne daughter of William Bard; died N. Y. October 27th 1834 in her 31st year; interred in Greenwood Cemetery.

2dly Westfarms, Westchester co. N. Y. May 20th 1836 by the rector of St. Peter's Parish, Westfarms, to Charlotte Wilkins daughter of William Hoffman, M. D. of Westfarms.

Issue.

1. **Cornelia II Prime,** born N. Y. February 6th 1829; baptized by the rector of Grace Parish; married by the rector of Grace Parish January 26th 1850 to August Ahrens of N. Y.

2. **Nathaniel II Prime,** born N. Y. July 23d 1830; baptized by the Rev. George L. Hinton, Harlem, N. Y.

served in the U. S. army; died N. Y. July 8th 1885; funeral at the Church of the Transfiguration N. Y. July 10th; interred in Greenwood Cemetery; will N. Y., October 27th, 1883; proved October 6th, 1885; Surrogate's office N. Y. Liber 349, fol. 426.

3. **Edward II Prime,** born New York, October 19th 1833; baptized by the rector of Grace Parish.

4. **William Hoffman Prime,** born New York, March 1st 1837; baptized by the rector of Grace Parish; married at St. Mark's Cathedral, San Antonio, Texas, January 13th 1879, to Anne Rhodes, daughter of the late Edward F. Gilbert of San Antonio; died at San Antonio June 18th 1881; remains interred 1882 in Greenwood Cemetery, N. Y.; intestate.

Issue.

1. **Charlotte Hoffman Prime,** born San Antonio, March 23d 1881.

5. **Charlotte Prime,** born New York, November 12th 1838; baptized by the rector of Grace Parish; married at the residence of her father, 17 West 16th Street, N. Y., December 27th 1858, by the rector of Grace Parish, to Leonard J., son of the late Leonard J. Wyeth of New York.

6. **Mary Catherine Prime,** born New York, June 4th 1841; baptized by the rector of Grace Parish; married New York, December 16th 1868, by the rector of Christ Parish of Riverdale-on-Hudson, N. Y., to James A., son of James Scrymser of New York.

7. **Henry II Prime,** born New York, May 18th 1847; baptized by the rector of Grace Parish.

RUFUS PRIME AND HIS FAMILY.

Born: 42 (now 54) Wall Street, New York, January 28th 1806.

Died: Huntington, Suffolk co., N. Y., Thursday, October 15th 1885; funeral at Grace Church, New York; interred in Greenwood Cemetery.*

Will: N. Y., June 3rd 1879; proved at Riverhead, Suffolk co., N. Y., December 21st 1885; Surrogate's Office, Riverhead, Liber 20, fol. 90.

Married: Philadelphia, October 16th 1828, by Bishop White, to Augusta Temple, daughter of the late William Lambe Palmer, formerly of Ireland, and of Augusta Grenville Temple his wife; born London, England, November 12th 1807; died New York, October 9th 1840; interred in Greenwood Cemetery;‡ will New York, September 26th 1840, recorded February 5th 1842 in the office of the Register, New York, Liber 423, fol. 199.

Issue.

1. **Frederick Edward Prime,** born in the Casa Altoiti da San Trinita, Florence, Italy, September 24th 1829; bap-

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* The shaft in the plot bears upon it the following inscription to his memory:

RUFUS PRIME
Born, New York
XXVIII Jan MDCCCVI
Died, Huntington, N. Y.
XV Oct MDCCCLXXXV.

‡ The shaft in the plot bears upon it the following inscription to her memory:

AUGUSTA TEMPLE.
wife of
Rufus Prime
and
daughter of
Wm L. Palmer
of
Rahan Ireland
Died IX Oct MDCCCXL
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tized Florence, Italy, October 12th 1829, by J. L. Parham, Vicar of Holne, co. Devon, England; served in the U. S. Army.

2. **Natalie Prime,** born New York, March 24th 1831; baptized by the rector of Grace Parish; died New York, March 19th 1832; interred in Greenwood Cemetery.

3. **Temple Prime,** born 1 Battery Place, N. Y. September 14th 1832; baptized by the rector of Grace Parish.

4. **Henry I Prime,** born New York, July 16th 1834; died New York, August 3d 1834; interred in Greenwood Cemetery.

5. **Augusta Prime,** born New York, September 4th 1835; died New York, September 14th 1835; interred in Greenwood Cemetery.

6. **Charles Sandys Prime,** born 1 Battery Place, N. Y. October 16th 1836; baptized by the rector of Grace Parish.

7. **Cornelia III Prime,** born 1 Battery Place, N. Y. December 14th 1838; baptized by the rector of Grace Parish.

FREDERICK I PRIME AND HIS FAMILY.

Born: 42 (now 54) Wall Street, N. Y. October 30th 1807.

Married: 1st. New York, April 30th 1829, to Mary Rutherfurd, daughter of Peter A. Jay of New York; died New York, September 9th 1835; interred in the Jay grave-yard at Rye, Westchester co., N. Y.

——— 2dly. Providence, R. I. August 15th 1838, to Lydia, daughter of Robert Hare of Philadelphia; died New York, May 24th 1883, in her 65th year; interred in the Beechwood Cemetery at New Rochelle, Westchester co.; will Pelham, July 30th, 1859; proved June 6th 1883; Surrogate's Office New York, Liber. 309, fol. 491.

Issue.

1. **Mary Rutherfurd Prime,** born New York, August 24th 1830.

2. **Harriet II Prime,** born New York, September 11th 1832; married New York, at the Church of the Holy Apostles, May 23d 1867 to Thomas P. Gibbons, M. D., of Pennsylvania.

3. **Helen Jay Prime,** born New York, August 22d 1835; married Pelham, Westchester co., New York, October 16th 1856, to Francis T. Garrettson of New York.

4. **Emily II Prime,** born New York, August 1st 1840; married New York, at Trinity Chapel, April 23d 1862, to Lewis Livingston, son of Joseph Delafield of New York.

5. **Frederick II Prime,** born Philadelphia, March 1st 1846; married New York, at the Church of the Holy Communion, June 22d 1871, to Laurette de Toussard, daughter of Alfred Coxe of Philadelphia.

Issue.

1. **Laurette Coxe Prime,** born May 10th 1872; died at Pelham, August 29th 1873; interred in the Beechwood Cemetery at New Rochelle.
2. **Mary Alice Prime,** born at Easton, Pa., June 17th 1874.
3. **Laurette de Toussard Prime,** born Easton, December 1st 1875.
4. **Frederick III Prime,** born Philadelphia, September 5th 1879; died Baltimore, December 17th 1880.
5. **Frederick IV Prime,** born Baltimore, March 3d 1881.
6. **Alfred Coxe Prime,** born Philadelphia, March 3d 1883.

MARK I PRIME.

† 1682.

Samuel I Prime.
† 1684.

Samuel II Prime.
† 1717.

Joshua I Prime.
† 1770.

Nathaniel I Prime.
† 1840.

Mark II Prime, ancestor of the Primes now at Rowley, etc.

Edward I Prime.
† 1883.

Rufus Prime.
† 1885.

Frederick I Prime.

Appendix.

The Settlement at Rowley Essex Co. Mass.

The Rev[d] Ezekiel Rogers was given the living of Rowley,* co. York, England by Sir Francis Barrington, co. Essex Kt.

December 1638 Mr. Rogers arrived in America with about 20 † families and they all spent the winter at Salem; April or May 1639 this company which had increased to 60 families settled on lands in Essex co. Mass. to which a charter was granted September 7th 1639 under the name of Rowley.

Soon after the settlement other families moved into the town, so that before the survey of Rowley, bearing date January 10th 1644, was completed, 16 other families had been added to the original 60 and land was also assigned to them at the time it was distributed.

We find the name of Mark I Prime in the list of the 76 families, but not in that of the 60 families.

These people labored originally in common and this state of things lasted 5 years, no man owning any land in severalty until the land on both sides of the brook had been cleared and they had laid out some streets and roads, several of which received names.

Will of Mark Prime and the proving of the same. (PROBATE OFFICE ESSEX CO. MASS. 4: 76.)

The last will and testement of Marke Prime of Rowlly Being weake in body but ꝑfect in memery doe therefore

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* Rowley is a parish, 2 or 3 miles from Southcave, in the Wapenstoke of Harthill in the East Riding of Yorkshire, England; in 1831 it had a population of about 500.

† The names of these 20 families are not known; it is presumed that a list of them was destroyed in 1651 when Mr. Rogers' house was consumed by fire.

ordaine this my last will in manner os followeth: I giue my soule to god that gaue it mee and my body to the graue with a liuely hope of a joyfull reserection at the duy of his apear'g as for my outward estate my will is

Impr. I leaue to my naterall* sun Samwell Prime all my housing and lands & medow to be at my suns disposing during his life and to Improue for his own & theire benefit till he dispose of it to those children he now hath or may haue with this wife now liueing and if by the provedence of god he should grow poore and there by be forced to selle any part of lands hee shall sele his own lands and not any of this I now giue,

it is my will and desire that my eldest gron child shall injoy all my lands prouided he make his other brothers & sister equelent to that a part he Inioys in other pay, and also that none of they children shall requir thire leg—ce of land goe from vnder their parents with theire consent according to a rule of the word of god

2 Also it is my will that all my moueable shall be thus deuided that i there be 15 pounds in mony and 5ˢ in other pay be reaised out of the estat in mouables and be reserued for and equally deuided amongst those children y now are liuing or that be born heare after of this my sun & daughter that are now liuving,

Also it is my will that if moueable estat amount to more then 20ˢ I leave it to be deuided to the foresaid children at the discresion of my sun and daughter after my desease provided that my daughter Sara be not depriued of Improueing any of the houseuld stufe while she liueth

Also I apoynt my sun Samuell Prime to be my soale executer of this my last will, And my trusty frends John

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* The term "natural" must not be taken to mean "illegitimate"; it was quite common in those days to use this word in describing members of the family; as an example see Historical Collections of the Essex Institute, Vol. XXIII. in which Roger Darby is described in grants of Letters of Administration in 1671, in two distinct cases, as "natural" brother.

Haris senr and Samuell Plats senr ouer seers for true purformance of this my last will MARKE PRIME.

Witness { JOHN HARRIS
SAMUELL PLATTS

Probate of the Will.

The Executr to this will being deceased before presentation hereof to ye court Letters of Administration to ye estate of Marke Prime are granted unto Sarah Prime ye widow of ye Executor intended & unto Abell Platts, who presented ye Inventorie of ye estate at ye same time and are ordered & enjoyned to attend such orders as this court shall give abt settlement of sd estate Dated At a court of Adjournment held at Ipswich Aprill ye 15 1684 as attest

JNo APPLETON Cler.

An Inuentorie of the estate of Mark Prime deceased taken the 15th of Janr Anno Domi 1683 ꝑ subscribers

	£	s.	d.
Impr By 7 Acres ½ of Vpland in tillage: & not improued in ye comō feild	18	00	00
It. ꝑ 3 acres of Land in Symonds feild	3	10	00
It. ꝑ marsh at Oyster poynt ꝑ marsh called Carlton's & at Mr Nelsons Isle soe cald	20	00	00
It. ꝑ one Oxe Gate in east oxpasture: ½ acr meadow at Shatswell soe cald	12	00	00
It. ꝑ Land vpon the Comon 10s & 1 Freehold 4s	14	00	00
	67	10	00
It. 5 cows 2 young Cattle 2 horses 2 swine . . .	37	10	00
It. ꝑ A Feather bed & furniture peuter & brass earthen: & wooden ware & Iron ware & bookes 1s & 3 napkins sugar 1 chest & cupboard glasses chaires & table boards silk & thread all amount to	13	11	04

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It. ꝑ meat butter meal baggs wheat and Indian corne	7 15 00
It. ꝑ cotton & linnen & woolen cloth & yarne .	4 00 00
It. ꝑ Iron & wooden Implements of husbandry & amunition	2 17 00
It. ꝑ mony 6£ 7s 0d ꝑ woolen & Linnen cloathes & Apparell 6£	12 7 00
It. ꝑ bills due to ye estate 6£ 17s 9d ꝑ other debts 4£ 10s 0d all	11 07 09
	156 18 01

The estate Deb

To funerell expences 2£ 15s 0d To other debts 1£ 14s 8d 4 09 08

This Apprizement of the severell ꝑticulars was made ꝑ us the day and year above written.

Witness our hands JOHN HARRIS Senr

SAMUEL PLATTS Junier.

Sarah Prime Administratix to the Estate of Marke Prime deceased made oath that the above written is a true Inventory of sd Estate to the best of her Knowledg & if more come to her Knowledg she will give the court an account thereof sworne in court at Ipswich this 15th of Aprill 1684 being held by adjournment.

Attest Barthe Gedney pr ordr

Sarah Prime widow & Abel Plats having power of Administration granted to them on the estate of Samll Prime deceased amounting to 281£ 6s clear of debts this court doth order the distribution of sd estate as followeth viz

Unto the widdow Sarah Prime 80£ 11s unto Samll Prime eldest son of ye deceased 80£ 06s unto Sarah Prime Marke Prime & Añe Prime the rest of the children of the estate to each of them 40£ 3s being 120£ 9s And the whole estate to remain in the possession & to the use of ye widow Sarah Prime for the bringing up the children & paying their portions when they come of age & the houseing and

lands stand bound to the court for paym^{t} of ye childrens portions

And whereas the executo^{r} of the will of Mark Prime is deceased & power of administration to s^{d} estate is granted unto ye s^{d} Sarah Prime & Abel Platts this court doth order that they shall Administer upon s^{d} estate according to the teno^{r} of the will of s^{d} Marke Prime that is given in & is on file with ye records of this court.

Agreed Apr 15 1684 in Court.

In re Mark I Prime being a miller.

The herewith affidavit: County Office Salem, Essex co. Mass. 3:71; is among papers in the case of Nelson versus Dummer March 1657. In an account of Richard Dummer it is mentioned that there was: "paid to Marke Prime for maintaininge the mill damme 10^{s}." "To Goodman Prime for helpe about the millstones 12^{s}." "To Marke Prime for maintaining the mill damme 4 month: 54. 0^{s}.—10^{s}—0."

Affidavit.

DEPOSITION OF MARKE PRIME,

"Who saith that the last yeare before Mr. Nelson went away when he and I came to account what the mill got that yeare, the said Mr. Nelson asked me what one halfe of the profits of the mill came unto for that yeare, I answered about sixteen pound he replied his account was there about too since which time I havinge the mill to keep on the same terms from Mr. Richard Dummer to my best understanding I fall not short (for my part of the profits one yeare with

another) not above twenty shillings in the yeare and Mr. Dummer had as much for his part of the profits."

Taken upon oath 23d of the 4th month 1656 before me

SAMUELL SYMONDS.

This is a true copie by me

SAMUELL ARCHARD, Marshall.

Account of Grace Parish, New York. (PUBLISHED: NEW YORK TRIBUNE, MAY 6TH, 1883.)

The first steps toward the formation of the society which has for seventy-five years been known as Grace Church parish were taken in 1805. On May 29 of that year the trustees of the German Lutheran Church in the city of New York conveyed to Matthew Clarkson, Herman Le Roy, Peter Schermerhorn, Henry Rogers, and Julian Ludlow, as trustees, the lot at the south corner of Broadway and Rector St., with the church building upon it. Nothing further was done until three years later, when those who were interested in forming the new church met and elected a building committee consisting of Rufus King, Anthony L. Bleecker, and Moses L. Rogers. Through the efforts of this committee a new building was erected on the lot purchased in 1805, and was consecrated as Grace Church on December 21, 1808. The Rev. Samuel Bowen, of Charleston, S. C., was chosen as the first rector of the church in the following April. The church was without an organ, and Mr. Bowen offered it the use of an instrument which had been in his parlor. The vestry spent $20 in having the organ repaired, and it was placed in the church. This building formed a parallelogram 101 feet long within the walls, and 57 feet wide. The exterior was mainly of brick, and was built in the plainest manner. The projections were of marble and wood, and the Doric cornice was surmounted by a balustrade divided into panels. The building was surmounted by a wooden cupola,

cylindrical in form, resting upon an octagonal pedestal. The roof of the cupola was dome shape, supported by Ionic columns, and had springing from it a small fanciful spire terminating in a vane which represented a dart. The interior of the church had a lofty concave ceiling supported by four massive Ionic columns with corresponding pilasters. The church was built with funds provided by the corporation of Trinity Church. When the building was completed the vestry sold the pews and offered the proceeds to Trinity Church. Trinity refused to take the money, and it was invested in real estate as a fund for the maintenance of Grace Church.

In 1816 Dr. Bowen resigned his rectorship and was succeeded by the Rev. James Montgomery, of Trenton, N. J. He was followed in 1821 by the Rev. Jonathan Wainwright an assistant minister of Trinity Church. Dr. Wainwright's rectorship continued till 1833, and under his guidance the church made great and substantial progress. The parish clerk was no longer allowed to make the responses in the church liturgy, and the rector encouraged the congregation to take an active and efficient interest in that part of the service. Dr. Wainwright was an accomplished musician, and he compiled and arranged a collection of sacred music for his church, which the vestry had published. This collection has found its way to all parts of the country. In May, 1834, the Rev. Thomas House Taylor, of South Carolina, succeeded Dr. Wainwright, who had accepted a call to be rector of Trinity Church, Boston. Dr. Taylor continued as rector until his death in 1867. Under his ministry the church was removed to its present site, where the new church was built at a cost of $100,000 and was consecrated on March 7, 1846. Through Dr. Taylor's efforts, also, the Free Mission Chapel, which is now Grace Chapel, was built in East Fourteenth St. in 1853. The first building was burned in 1872, and the present handsome structure was built in its place.

Notes on Nathaniel I Prime.

His family Bible is owned by his granddaughter, Mrs. N. E. Baylies, the daughter of Mrs. Robert Ray.

At a meeting held at the house of James Watson, 6 State Street, N. Y., in 1805, for the purpose of organizing the New England Society, N. Prime presided.

His Residences in New York.

April 1792, 16 Duke Street.
October 1792, } 13 Maiden Lane.
May 1793, }
June, August 1793, 1 Broadway (a boarding-house).
1796-1797, 1 Broadway (a boarding-house).
1797-1798, 26 Pine Street (the residence of his father-in-law, Comfort Sands).
1799, 79 Greenwich Street.
1800, 146 Washington Street.
1801-1810, 42 (now 54) Wall Street.
1810-1831, 1 Broadway (his property).
1831-1840, Hell Gate, 86th Street, N. Y.

Residences of Rufus Prime.

1829-1840, 1 Battery Place, N. Y.
1840-1843, Hell Gate, 86th Street, N. Y.
1843-1846, in Europe.
1846-1854, Hell Gate, 86th Street, N. Y.
1854-1885, 113 (now 147) West 14th Street, N. Y.
1855-1885, Huntington, Suffolk co., N. Y.

Portraits, etc., of Members of the Family.

Nathaniel I Prime.

	Possession.
1. Miniature	E. H. Coster.
Copy of same on porcelain	Cornelia III Prime.
2. Trumbull, oil painting 1805	Cornelia Prime Lowell.
Copy of same	Temple Prime.
3. Miniature	James A. Scrymser.
4. Marble bust by Frazee	Frederick I Prime.

Cornelia Sands, wife of Nathaniel I Prime.

	Possession.
1. Miniature	E. H. Coster.
Copy of same on porcelain	Cornelia III Prime.
2. Trumbull, oil painting 1805	Cornelia Prime Lowell.
Copy of same	Temple Prime.
3. Miss Hall, miniature 1826, with her granddaughter, Emily Ray.	Mrs. Baylies.
4. Miss Hall, miniature 1843–45 Copies of same on porcelain	Several members of the family.

Cornelia I Prime, Mrs. Ray.

	Possession.
1. Collas, miniature 1819	Schuyler Hamilton, Jr.
2. Miniature	Mrs. Baylies.

Edward I Prime.

	Possession.
1. R. Peale, oil painting 1822	Edward II Prime.
2. Miniature	James A. Scrymser.

Charlotte W. Hoffman, 2d wife of Edward I Prime.

	Possession.
1. Miss Hall, miniature 1836 . . .	

Emily I Prime, Mrs. Seton.

	Possession.
1. Miss Hall, miniature 1850 . . .	Robert Seton.
Copies of same on porcelain	Several members of the family.

Rufus Prime.

	Possession.
1. Millet, miniature, Paris 1829 . .	Temple Prime.
Copy of same on porcelain . . .	Cornelia III Prime.
2. Crayon 1829	Cornelia III Prime.
3. D. Huntington, oil painting 1877	Cornelia III Prime.
Copy of same	Chamber of Commerce, New York.

Augusta Temple Palmer, wife of Rufus Prime.

	Possession.
1. Isabey, miniature, Paris 1828 . .	Cornelia III Prime.
Copy of same on porcelain . . .	Cornelia III Prime.
2. Miss Hall, miniature 1840 . . .	Frederick T. Palmer.
Copy of same on porcelain . . .	Cornelia III Prime.

Frederick Edward Prime.

	Possession.
1. Aimée Thibault, miniature 1833	Cornelia III Prime.
2. Numa Blanc, colored drawing, Paris 1843	Cornelia III Prime.

Temple Prime.

	Possession.
1. Miniature, London 1838	Cornelia III Prime.
2. Colored drawing, New York, 1840	Fred[k] T. Palmer.
3. Grolig, cabinet sized oil painting, Versailles 1854	Fred[k] T. Palmer.
Copy of same	Henry Lloyd.
4. Numa Blanc colored drawing, Paris 1843	Cornelia III Prime.

Charles Sandys Prime.

	Possession.
1. Numa Blanc colored drawing, Paris 1843	Cornelia III Prime.

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	Possession.
1. Numa Blanc colored drawing, Paris 1843	Cornelia III Prime.

Frederick I Prime.

	Possession.
1. Inman, miniature 1829	Mary R. Prime.
2. Weir, oil painting 1830	Mary R. Prime.
3. D. Huntington, oil painting 1872	Mary R. Prime.

Mary Rutherfurd Jay, 1st Wife of Frederick I Prime.

	Possession.
1. Miniature, taken as a child with her mother	Mrs. Dubois.
2. Ingham, oil painting 1825 . . .	Mrs. Garrettson.
3. Trumbull, oil painting 1829 . .	Mary R. Prime.
4. Miss Hall, miniature 1834, with her daughter Harriet	Mrs. Gibbons.

Lydia Hare, 2d Wife of Frederick I Prime.

	Possession.
1. Miss Hall, miniature 1840 . . .	Mrs. Delafield.
Copy of same on porcelain . . .	Frederick I Prime.

Mary R. Prime.

	Possession.
1. Pastel, Geneva 1848, with her sister Harriet	Frederick I Prime.
2. Oil painting, Rome 1868	Frederick I Prime.

Helen Jay Prime, Mrs. Garrettson.

	Possession.
1. Mrs. Childs, crayon 1858	Frederick I Prime.

Emily II Prime, Mrs. Delafield.

	Possession.
1. Miss Hall, miniature 1845 . . .	Mrs. Delafield.
Copy of same on porcelain . . .	Frederick I Prime.
2. Pastel, Geneva 1848, with her brother	Frederick I Prime.
3. D. Huntington, cabinet sized oil painting 1863	Frederick I Prime.

Frederick II Prime.

	Possession.
1. Cabinet sized oil painting, Dresden 1867	Frederick I Prime.

MATILDA PRIME, MRS. COSTER.

	POSSESSION.
1. Miniature	E. H. Coster.
Copy of same on porcelain . .	Several members of the family.

LAURA PRIME, MRS. JAY.

	POSSESSION.
1. Miniature, with her daughter, Laura	Mrs. Jay.
Copies of same on porcelain .	Several members of the family.
2. D. Huntington, oil painting . .	Mrs. Jay.

Note on St. Paul's Church, East Chester, Westchester Co. N. Y.
(PUBLISHED: NEW YORK TIMES, OCTOBER 25TH 1885.)

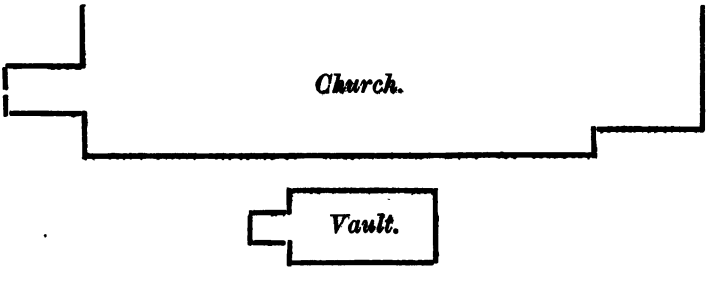
ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONSECRATION OF ST. PAUL'S, EAST CHESTER.

The eightieth anniversary of the consecration of St. Paul's Church, East Chester, Westchester County, was commemorated yesterday with interesting exercises conducted by Bishop Henry C. Potter, of the New York Diocese of the Episcopal Church. Other clergy assisting in the proceedings were the Rector of the church, the Rev. Dr. William S. Coffey; the Rev. Mr. Chase, Rector of the parish of St. James the Less, Scarsdale; the Rev. Mr. Canedy, of Trinity Church, New Rochelle; the Rev. Stephen F. Holmes, of Trinity Church, Mount Vernon; the Rev. Mr. Johnson, of St. Peter's, Westchester; the Rev. Dr. Cooper, of the Church of the Redeemer, Astoria, and the Rev. Dr. Van Rensselaer. The exercises began during the forenoon with the regular Episcopal service, the Rev. Mr. Chase officiating, and the Rev. Mr. Canedy reading the lessons.

Then the Rev. Mr. Holmes read the creed and prayers, and Bishop Potter conducted the ante-communion service and administered the rite of confirmation to nine candidates. The epistle was read by the Rev. Dr. Van Rensselaer, and brief addresses were delivered by Bishop Potter and the Rector, and by the Rev. Messrs. Johnson and Cooper. Dr. Coffey gave a brief sketch of the history of the church edifice, which was built in 1764, or thereabout, but was not consecrated until about 40 years later, on Oct. 24, 1805. During a portion of the interim it was used by the American and British forces engaged in the Revolutionary struggle as a hospital, and in 1787 by Chief Justice Morris as a Supreme Court room. Bishop Moore consecrated the church, and the Rev. H. Wilton was its first Rector.

Following the religious exercises of the forenoon there was a communion service, and a collation was afterward partaken of by those attending the celebration in the vestry of the church. The old Bible and prayer book belonging to the church when it was opened and which were buried during the Revolution for safe keeping were used in yesterday's proceedings. The old church bell was also rung to call the congregation together, and the altar table used in the consecration service 80 years ago was placed in the north aisle of the church for inspection by those present.

The Prime vault is outside of the church, near the southeast wall.



Deeded October 25th 1843,* to Cornelia, widow of Nathaniel I Prime; that same year the remains of Nathaniel I Prime, and of his daughter Harriet, were removed from St. Mark's, in the Bowery, N. Y., and placed in this vault. Nathaniel I Prime's widow was also interred in it.

Obituary Notice of Daniel N. Prime of Rowley, a Descendant of Mark II Prime. (PUBLISHED: ESSEX CO. MERCURY, DECEMBER 21st 1881.)

The death of Capt. Daniel N. Prime, which occurred during the last week, has been noticed in the daily papers, but is deserving of more than a passing mention on account of his advanced age and the prominent position which he occupied in the town during a long and useful life, managing at one time the business of a country store, tannery, shoe manufactory, and a small farm. When the Eastern Railroad was opened through the town, he was among the few who became interested in the enterprise, purchasing at that time the land through which the road to the station was opened, and also a tract of swamp land lying along the borders of the marsh, containing some thirty or forty acres, all of which he reclaimed and converted into valuable mowing. He was the first station-master upon the railroad in this town, and established a line of freight wagons between Rowley and Georgetown, which was continued until the opening of the railroad through the latter town. In his earlier days he was frequently chosen to town offices, and twice filled the position of Representative to the General Court.

The deceased has from time to time exhibited considerable literary talent, several of his productions in poetry as well as prose having been printed and enjoyed by those

* The deed is in the possession of Frederick I Prime.

who knew him best. He was the author of an ode sung at the centennial celebration of the settlement of the town in 1839, and in those earlier days wrote several poems upon local subjects which interested and amused his townsmen. During his later years his mind has been more particularly exercised upon religious topics and made familiar with the Bible and theological works. He was an earnest advocate of the docrine of universal salvation, and those who differed from him in conviction gave him credit for honesty, sincerity, and a kindly disposition toward all. For several years he has been deprived of sight, and by this misfortune, of his favorite pastime of reading and writing.

The physicians in attendance could discover no appearance of disease of any kind; death seemed the result of natural decay, reaching the end "like a shock of corn fully ripe." The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Closson of Essex, on Friday afternoon, in the chapel of the Universalist parish. The house was crowded with neighbors and friends. Many were noticed from the adjoining towns, drawn by the influence of old memories and associations. The officiating clergyman, who formerly supplied the desk in which he stood, and enjoyed the acquaintance of the deceased, spoke at length of his pure and exemplary life; and when he declared his belief that no person could point the finger at the casket and say that its inmate had ever done his neighbor wrong the assertion met with a response in every bosom, and brought moisture to many eyes.

The partnership title of "D. N. Prime & Sons" is still retained by the sons, both in trade and manufacture, and an older or more honorable name cannot be found in commercial circles.

PLATTS.

SAMUEL PLATTS.

Died: prior to 1690.

Married: 1st. Sarah ——; died April 10th 1681.

——— 2dly. December 19th 1682 to Philippa Felt of Salem; married again, April 9th 1690, to Thomas Nelson; died September 29th 1709.

Issue.

1. **Samuel Platts,** born circa 1648; married Mary Law.
2. **Abel Platts,** of whom later.
3. **Elizabeth Platts,** married, November 22d 1681, Samuel Brocklebank.
4. **Sarah Platts,** born at Rowley October 16th 1654; married, January 1st 1673–'74, Samuel I Prime.
5. **James Platts,** born June 1661; married Lydia Hall.
6. **Mary Platts,** baptized June 29th 1684.

Account of Samuel Platts.

Came to Rowley circa 1654 with his wife Sarah and three children.

1681 representative.

ABEL PLATTS.

Born: prior to 1654 and probably in England.
Died: in Canada 1690.
Married: May 8th 1672 Lydia daughter of James Bailey; married again, November 11th 1691, Capt. David Wicom.

Issue.

1. **Moses Platts,** of whom later.

Account of Abel Platts.

Ensign in the Rowley company in the Canada Expedition; died in "ye Canada Voyage"; inventory of estate July 28th 1691.

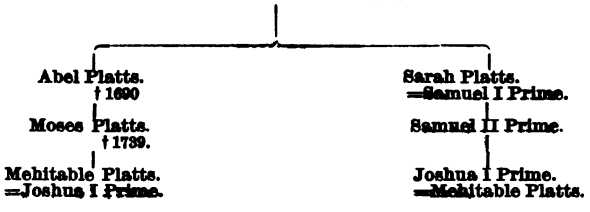
MOSES PLATTS.

Born: February 4th 1672–73.
Died: March 30th 1739.
Will: March 28th 1739; proved April 23d 1739; Probate Office Essex co. Mass., Liber 24, fol. 24.
Married: November 22d 1693 Hannah daughter of Jonathan Platts; died March 31st 1755.

Issue.

1. **Abel Platts.**
2. **Moses Platts.**
3. **Nathan Platts.**
4. **Lydia Platts,** married, prior to 1739, to Moses Pickard.
5. **Hannah Platts,** married, prior to 1739, to John Carleton.
6. **Mehitable Platts,** born November 11th 1712; married, January 1st 1733–34, Joshua I Prime; died October 17th 1751.

SAMUEL PLATTS.



JEWETT.

JOSEPH I JEWETT.

Died: ———; buried February 26th 1660–61.
Married: Anne ———; buried (February 8th 1660–61 ?)

Issue.

1. **Joseph II Jewett,** of whom later.
2. A daughter.

Account of Joseph I Jewett.

Supposed to have been the nephew of one Joseph Jewett who it is presumed came from Bradford, co. York, England, and settled first at Dorchester, Mass., then at Rowley; there is also a supposition that he was the nephew of Maximilian Jewett of Rowley.

1639 freeman.
1651–54 representative.
1660 representative.

JOSEPH II JEWETT.

Born: April 1st 1656.
Died: October 30th 1694.

Married: January 16th 1680–81 Ruth daughter of Thomas Wood and of Anne ——— his wife; born July 21st 1662; married again, October 26th 1696, to John Lunt; died November 29th 1734.

Issue.

1. **Ruth Jewett,** born 1681; married, at Dracut October 3d 1697, Joseph Varnum (Farnum ?) of Dracut.
2. **Joshua Jewett,** born Ipswich August 26th 1683; died October 15th 1694.
3. **Elizabeth Jewett,** born Ipswich April 3d 1685; died 1713.
4. **Hannah Jewett,** twin sister of Elizabeth; died Ipswich November 23d 1685.
5. **Joseph Jewett,** baptized April 10th 1687; married May Hibbert.
6. **Sarah Jewett,** born Rowley February 3d 1688–89; married (published March 23d 1705–06) Samuel II Prime.
7. **Priscilla Jewett,** baptized February 1st 1690–91; married February 2d 1708–09 Hilkiah Boynton.
8. **Johanna Jewett,** born April 12th 1693; married (published April 8th 1710) Jonathan Pickard.
9. **Joshua Jewett,** born February 16th 1694–95; married Mary Todd.

Account of Joseph Jewett II.

On the Records he is styled: "Junior" "Carpenter;" "Merchant," and in the last years of his life "Captain;" resided for a time in Ipswich.

1684 July 9th, freeman.

HAMMOND.

THOMAS I HAMMOND.

Married: in England May 14th 1573 Rose Trippe.

Issue.

1. **Elizabeth Hammond,** baptized April 1st 1574.
2. **William Hammond,** died October 8th 1662; left issue male; at Watertown Mass. 1632.
3. **Thomas II Hammond,** of whom later.

THOMAS II HAMMOND.

Born: Cavenham co. Suffolk, England; baptized at Cavenham January 9th 1587.

Died: September 30th 1675.

Will: names all his children, who at that time were all married; daughter Sarah as deceased.

Married: in England November 12th 1623 Elizabeth ———; died before her husband.

Issue.

1. **Elizabeth Hammond,** born in England; married 1659 George Woodward.
2. **Thomas III Hammond,** born in England; died 1678; left issue male.
3. **Sarah Hammond,** born in America; baptized September 13th 1640; married Nathaniel Steadman; died prior to 1675.
4. **Nathaniel I Hammond,** of whom later.

Account of Thomas II Hammond.

1636 at Hingham, Mass.
1637 March 9th, freeman.
Removed to Watertown, Mass.; thence in 1650 across the river to Cambridge village; purchased a large farm with Vincent Druse.

NATHANIEL I HAMMOND.

Born: baptized at Watertown March 12th 1643.
Died: May 29th 1691.
Married: Mary ———.

Issue.

1. **Nathaniel Hammond,** baptized at Roxbury February 19th 1671; died young.
2. **Mary Hammond,** born December 15th 1672.
3. **Sarah Hammond,** born October 3d 1675.
4. **Nathaniel II Hammond,** of whom later.
5. **Esther Hammond.**
6. **Elizabeth Hammond,** born March 11th 1683.
7. **Thomas IV Hammond,** born February 7th 1686.
8. **Hannah Hammond,** born March 31st 1689; died 1700.

Account of Nathaniel I Hammond.

(OF CAMBRIDGE VILLAGE, NOW NEWTOWN.)

Freeman 1690.

NATHANIEL II HAMMOND

(OF IPSWICH, MASS.)

Born: January 26th 1678.
Married: Bridget ———.

Issue.

1. **Jonathan Hammond,** born May 18th 1715.
2. **Nathaniel III Hammond,** born January 24th 1717–18.
3. **Thomas V Hammond,** born October 31st 1719.
4. **John Hammond,** born January 23d 1721.
5. **Joseph Hammond,** born February 3d 1722.
6. **Timothy Hammond,** born February 28th 1725.
7. **Bridget Hammond,** of whom later.

BRIDGET HAMMOND.

Born: 1727?*
Died: alive in 1792.
Married: 1st. June 18th 1752 Joshua I Prime.
——— 2dly. Sutton December 29th 1772, by the Rev[d] David Hull, to Nathaniel Carriel Jr. of Sutton, Mass.

Account of Bridget Hammond.

1771 May 26th, dismissed from the church at Rowley to that of Grotton,† Mass.

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* No entry on the Ipswich records. † Sutton?

THOMAS I HAMMOND.

Thomas II Hammond.
† 1675.

Nathaniel I Hammond.
† 1691.

Nathaniel II Hammond.

Bridget Hammond.
=Joshua I Prime.

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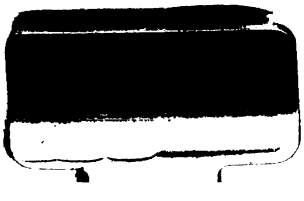

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